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SUBJ: SECRETARY'S SPEECH OF APRIL 8 ON LOS
 1. THIS MORNING (APRIL 23), ACCCOMPANIED BY BCM, I CALLED
 ON MIN EXT AFF GEORGE MOE, TO DISCUSS SUBJECT MATTER
 (AMONG OTHERS). I NOTED THAT DCM HAD LEFT COPY OF
 SECRETARY'S LOS SPEECH WITH PERMSEC FORDE FOR HIM AND
 INVITED HIS COMMENTS.

2. MOE REPLIED THAT HE HAD NOT HAD TIME TO STUDY SPEECH
 CAREFULLY BUT HAD TAKEN NOTE OF PORTION DEALING WITH
 ACCESS TO DEEP SEABED RESOURCES. GOB BELIEVED THAT ACCESS
 BY INDIVIDUAL NATIONS SHOULD BE MUCH MORE LIMITED THAN
 USG APPEARED TO THINK DESIRABLE AND THAT INTERNATIONAL
 AUTHORITY'S CONTROL SHOULD BE MORE EXTENSIVE. ON QUESTION
 OF URGENCY, HE FULLY AGREED WITH SECRETARY'S STATEMENT AND
 ASSURED ME GOB DELEGATION WOULD PUSH FOR COMPLETION OF
 NEGOTIATIONS DURING CURRENT YEAR, BRITTON

State Dept. review completed

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